

This is no joke! A U.S. appeals court just struck down a ban on political ads on public broadcasting. That means your local PBS or NPR station could start running nasty attack ads right away. Many Americans turn to public TV or radio to escape the offensive political ads that have flooded commercial stations. Polluting public programming with these misleading and negative ads is not in keeping with the original vision of noncommercial broadcasting. At this time Free Press is circulating an urgent petition to NPR and PBS urging them to refuse to air political ads, which I have signed. I also think the FCC must implement new broadcast disclosure rules requiring broadcasters make their public files available online.

